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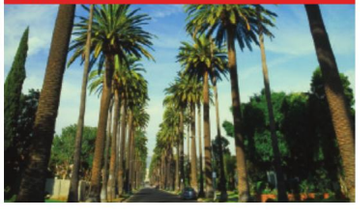

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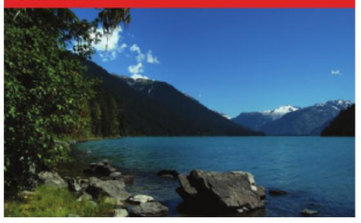

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Firefighters respond to 36 Halloween fires

Vancouver firefighters doused 36 Halloween blazes last night, worth $50,000 in damages.

Three mature hedges in South Vancouver were set on fire, causing damage to the side of a house, a portable toilet and a fence.

In East Vancouver, someone threw a rock wrapped in a burning cloth through a window of a coach house, but it didn't cause significant damage.

Four vehicles were damaged throughout the city — one caused by stray fireworks and three by arsonists.

PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS

Man critically injured in targeted shooting

A targeted shooting has critically injured a man in New Westminster Halloween night.

Police say the victim was sitting in a car outside a high rise near Queen's Park on Monday at about 10:15 p.m. An unidentified attacker opened fire, hitting the man several times. Police say the investigation has just begun and they are appealing for any witnesses.

They also haven't said why they believe the shooting is targeted or whether it may be gang-related.

The victim's name has not been released and no arrests have been made.

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MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

▶ Elaine Allan testifies at the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry in Vancouver yesterday.

Support worker: 'Dark force' loomed over DTES

Drop-in centre co-ordinator remembers fear as women went missing
Robert Pickton known to hang out near hotel for 25 years

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When Elaine Allan started working at the WISH drop-in centre for sex-trade workers in 1998, it was clear something was not right in the Downtown Eastside.

Tales of missing friends, cousins, daughters, mothers or sisters were plentiful, as were wild theories of serial killers or women being taken hostage by sailors.

"There was a lot of talk," Allan said yesterday at the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry. "It was sort of like this dark force out there. We could feel this evil force that was swallowing up all these women but we couldn't figure out what it was."

It wasn't until serial killer Robert Pickton's arrest in 2002 that Allan — who personally knew many of the missing and murdered women — was able to put a face to the "monster out there."

Sharon Baptiste told Allan that her last memory of cousin Georgina Papin is the woman leaving in a truck with Pickton outside the Astoria Hotel.

A street nurse, Bonnie Fournier, told Allan "that asshole, he's had his truck parked outside the Astoria for the last 25 years."

Allan said she tried to get Vancouver police Const. Dave Dickson to investigate the disappearance of one woman in particular, Tiffany Drew, in 1999.

After three months of asking, Dickson allegedly told Allan that Drew was not missing but had gone into drug treatment and didn't want to contact WISH because she feared relapse.

"He lied to me," Allan said.

Drew's DNA was found on Robert Pickton's farm.

Vancouver police lawyer Sean Hern disputed Allan's allegations.

He said Dickson didn't know of Drew's disappearance until her sister filed a missing-persons report in 2002 and denies having conversations with Allan about her.

"I'm sure," Allan reiterated when asked again if she talked to Dickson about Drew.

The inquiry continues.

1 news

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The month of October brought welcome relief to investors, but Allan Small warns that we're not out of the woods yet. More at metronews.ca/investing

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Roger Waters to build his Wall in BC Place

Rock spectacle redesigned for stadiums returns to town next spring

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Pink Floyd's Roger Waters is set to bring his modern-day production of the band's 1979 classic album The Wall back to Vancouver next spring as the first major concert event at the new BC Place.

The new version of the show has been in development for more than a year, said Live Nation Canada president Paul Haagenson, and the show is being re-envisioned for suitably large stadiums to give the audience a different kind of concert experience.

"From a size-and-scope perspective, if those iconic images and elements to the show (are) done bigger, (it will) make it even better," he said.

The Wall came to Rogers Arena in December 2010, but Haagenson said bringing the show back was a no-brainer as only a few artists can deliver a performance and production that is worthy to play in a massive stadium.

The show will feature a new 20,000-square-foot wall — twice the size of its arena version — stretching 500 feet. wide. It will use more than twice as many high-tech video projectors in the stadium production.

Graham Ramsay with said he hopes neighbours will be understanding.

"We always want to work with the community, but this is a large entertainment venue," Ramsay said. "Will there be some noise? Absolutely. But that is part of the entertainment community here and we will hope the general public will come join us."

PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

▶ Live Nation Canada president Paul Haagenson announces yesterday that Roger Waters' The Wall will be the first major concert event at the new BC Place.

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Teen's death considered homicide

RCMP have no suspect in killing that took place on Halloween night

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▶ Taylor van Diest

RCMP say more than 30 officers are working to solve the killing of an 18-year-old woman on Halloween night in the small B.C. community of Armstrong.

Cpl. Gord Molendyk said 18-year-old Taylor van Diest had gone out to meet someone on Monday night.

"What is known is that Taylor was out last evening for Halloween," he said.

Autopsy

- Cpl. Gord Molendyk said an autopsy will be done to find out how Taylor van Diest died.

"It is not clear who she was to meet with," Molendyk told a news conference yesterday near some railway tracks where van Diest was found unconscious.

She was taken to hospital but later died.

Molendyk said police have no suspects.

"We've brought in our helicopter, we've got dog teams, our forensic identification units are working, we have major crime all working towards bringing this to a very quick, successful conclusion," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ The ARIEL research facility will include an underground beam tunnel, similar to this one, that atoms will travel through.

Lab to offer latest in isotope research

B.C. will be at the forefront of isotope technology with the construction of a new $62.9-million project that will allow doctors to diagnose and treat severe ailments such as cancer, heart disease, Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease.

Construction began yesterday on the 3,406-square-metre lab at TRIUMP, Canada's national laboratory for particle and nuclear physics at the University of B.C. It is expected to be completed within 18 months.

In the Advanced Rare Isotope Laboratory (ARIEL), researchers will use a 10-metre-long underground beam tunnel to create new isotopes that will also be used to explore how particles arise, the nature of stars and the chemical elements that make up the human body.

"ARIEL, when complete, will deliver unprecedented intensities of short-lived and exotic isotopes ... for simultaneous experiments for science and medicine," said Lia Merminga, the head of TRIUMP's accelerator division. "We will expand the range of (rare) isotopes produced, and it will produce elements that exist rarely in our universe."

The research facility will focus on producing medical isotopes to help doctors create specialized medical treatments for patients.

The project is expected to contribute $700 million to the province's GDP over five years and will create 160 jobs. KENDRA WONG

LEGISLATION

Province tackles metal theft

The province is hoping to reduce metal theft, including the wholesale plundering of copper telephone lines, with new legislation that requires scrap-metal dealers to report their purchases to police.

Under the proposed law, dealers will have to record the names and addresses of metal sellers, and where the seller got the material, and pass this information on to police every day.

The law would also ban dealers from buying scrap metal from anyone who won't provide the required information. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Equal wage hike for all: Labour federation

Lower wage rate for liquor servers unfair, says union Liquor servers to get $9 compared to $10.25 for general minimum-wage workers in May 2012

PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

▶ B.C. Federation of Labour president Jim Sinclair calls for an end to the liquor server wage yesterday in Burnaby.

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B.C.'s minimum wage jumped another 75 cents yesterday, but the B.C. Federation of Labour is calling the wage increase unfair for liquor servers.

The rate has gone up for a second time to $9.50 an hour, following the provincial government's announcement of a three-phase increase of the minimum wage last March. In May, it increased to $8.75 an hour from $8.

But an exception applies to liquor servers, who only got a 50-cent raise in May, and another 25 cents yesterday. The minimum wage for servers working in "liquor primary" restaurants and bars will be capped at $9 in May 2012.

The provincial government justified the rate saying the liquor servers make up for it through their tips.

However, B.C. Federation president Jim Sinclair said the liquor-server wage rate is discriminatory and should be scrapped because it's unfair for those who primarily serve food but end up being defined as liquor servers by their employees.

"It should be the minimum wage for everybody no matter whether you get a tip (or not)," he said yesterday.

"There are a number of employees at IHOP saying, 'Why am I getting paid this? I serve bacon and eggs. I don't serve martinis,'" he added.

The minimum wage will jump another 75 cents to $10.25 an hour in May 2012.

$2.6M US in cash thrown overboard

RCMP/CONTRIBUTED

▶ Bundled and plastic-wrapped cash.

A Lake Cowichan man is facing a pair of charges after allegedly attempting to smuggle more than $2.6 million in US currency into U.S. waters in the middle of the night.

The cash seizure is among the largest the RCMP has ever made in Canada.

Jeffrey Melchior, 44, was arrested around midnight on March 24 after the small inflatable boat he was travelling in was intercepted by an RCMP boat near the international border near Sidney on Vancouver Island.

According to an RCMP press release, the area is a route known to be used by smugglers.

As the RCMP pursued the five-metre-long, rigid-hull inflatable vessel moving at high speeds, a suitcase, containing more than $2.6 million in plastic-wrapped cash, was chucked overboard.

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RICHMOND

Flat tire? Beware of help

Thieves in Richmond are puncturing people's tires at banks in order to rob them after they withdraw money, RCMP warned yesterday.

RCMP have seen a spate of "distraction thefts" where thieves in Richmond wait for people to enter banks, puncture their tires and then follow them as they drive away from the financial institution.

Sometime afterward, one of the thieves flags the driver down and advises them that they have a flat. When the driver pulls over to take a look, a second thief appears and steals the person's money or purse while the first thief is distracting the driver.

In two of the cases, the victim continued on their way and arrived at their final destination before noticing the money was gone. In one instance the victim was shoved to the ground.

RCMP Cpl. Sherrdean Turley said the suspect description has varied, as has the vehicle used by the suspects.

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B.C. plans to honour plane-crash rescuers

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▶ Firefighters attend the scene of a plane crash in Richmond on Thursday.

The provincial government will honour the heroes who rescued people trapped in a burning plane that crashed near Vancouver's airport last Thursday.

A reception will be held at the Parliament Buildings in Victoria after Premier Christy Clark returns from Asia.

In a statement, Clark says she heard and read the incredible stories of the heroism that emerged after the plane with nine people aboard slammed onto a street just short of the airport.

Clark says the rescuers who put themselves in danger as they pulled the passengers out of the burning Beechcraft King Air 100 deserve to be publicly thanked.

Solicitor General Shirley Bond will join Clark in hosting the reception that will also honour the crew and the first responders.

Pilot Luc Fortin, 44, of North Vancouver, died about five hours after the crash, but 10 other people survived.

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They've spent 520 days 'travelling' to Mars and back On Nov. 4, the European Space Agency's astronauts will touch down on Earth again Their experiences in simulating a manned voyage in Moscow will help space agencies plan humankind's first real Mars mission

Mars pioneers land in Moscow

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"I'll go outside and take a big breath enjoying the warmth of the sun!" That's Romain Charles talking about his arrival on Nov. 4. It doesn't matter that he'll land in Moscow, which has almost no sun at this time of the year. Charles has spent the past 520 days travelling to Mars in a space capsule — with no sun.

Charles, a 31-year-old Frenchman, and Diego Urbina, a 26-year-old Italian, form the nucleus of the Mars500 crew. On June 3 last year, they began a simulated Mars journey, conducted in Moscow by the European Space Agency.

"There aren't any extreme effects on our bodies, except the effects of the lack of sun on your skin and our physical fitness, which needs a lot of work because one doesn't move a lot in a space capsule," Urbina tells Metro in an email conveyed by ESA Mission Control.

"There are many subtle but important details that will probably come to light when we analyze the data, like gastrointestinal effects and a weakening of our immune system."

Though Charles and Urbina haven't left Moscow, their journey is crucial. "The farthest humans have been is the moon, and that mission took a week," notes ESA astronaut Christer Fuglesang. "Going to Mars takes 18 months. The results from Mars500 will be used in development of hardware. And we've learned about the psychological effects of being together in an enclosed space for so long."

Charles and Urbina have been accompanied by a relay of three crews. The astronauts carry out scientific experiments, grow food and have conducted walks on Mars, all the while communicating with mission control.

Indeed, establishing patterns of communication with a crew up to 400 million kilometres away is one of the purposes of Mars500. So is learning exactly what's required on an 18-month trip with no stops.

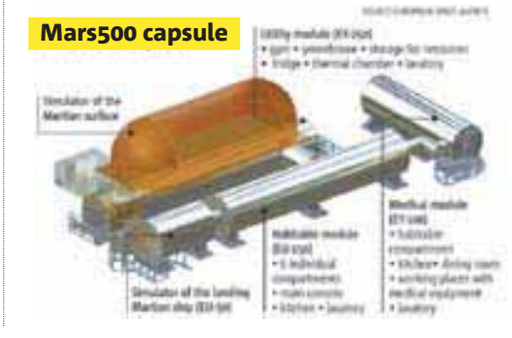
"If we're going to Mars ... we have to capture the carbon dioxide in the astronauts' breath."
CHRISTER FUGLESANG

"Astronauts already recycle almost all of their waste, but if we're going to Mars we have to recycle even more," notes Fuglesang. "For example, we have to capture the carbon dioxide in the astronauts' breath."

Equipped with the results from Mars500, space agencies could launch a Mars mission within several years.

The technology is already available.

The question facing politicians is: Is Mars worth the expense?



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▶ V means victory, Martians! Diego Urbina performs a walk on a simulated Mars.

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▶ The crew in a kung fu mood.

Fighting boredom during long flight

Romain Charles, Diego Urbina and three changing crews spend their days the same way a Mars astronaut would: Living in a small space, carrying out research and conducting Mars walks. Then there's the spare time.

"It can get way boring if you let (the) monotony get the best of you," reports Urbina. "Communications aren't live when we are far from Earth, and when we are close enough to Earth to have live communication, unlike the ISS, we don't have an Internet connection or the possibility of calling home."

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▶ Urbina

Instead the crew reads books, plays music and watches movies.

"Every once in a while — a crew favourite — we play computer games on the local network," Urbina said.

ELISABETH BRAW

60 seconds

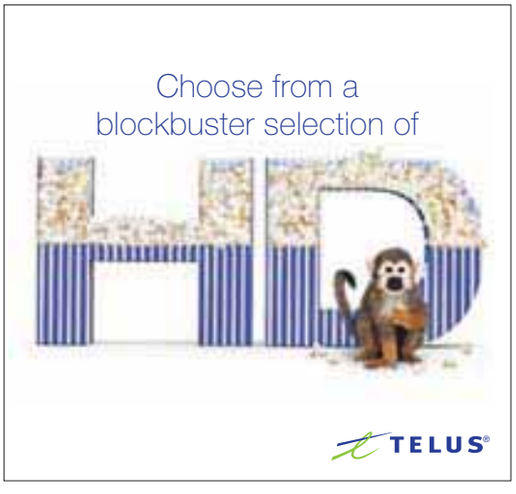
▶ Clement

DRY RUN FOR REAL MISSION

Gilles Clement, professor of space life sciences, International Space University

What's the real purpose of Mars500?
It's an experiment to see how the human body and psychology react to 18 months in space isolation, and the effect of such long isolation on food, water and medicines. It's also a science experiment; the astronauts are carrying out research on board. Lastly, it's a dry run for a real Mars mission. We have to be absolutely certain that we've thought of everything before we send people to Mars.

Can we go to Mars now?
Yes. The technology isn't very different from going to the moon. The problem is that it takes many months to even arrive on Mars. Astronauts have spent six months on the ISS, but how will astronauts deal with being together in a tiny capsule 24 hours a day for that long? And we have to figure out how to deal with the 20-minute communication delays from Mars. For example, what should the astronauts do if they have to wait 40 minutes to get an answer from the doctor on Earth? ELISABETH BRAW



A black day for white-collar criminals

Fraudsters found guilty of white-collar crimes in Canada now face tougher sentences and penalties.

Ottawa officially introduced tougher rules yesterday to deal with Ponzi schemers and white-collar fraudsters, part of just-adopted Tory legislation first tabled in 2009.

Stiffer penalties include:

A mandatory two-year prison sentence for fraud over $1 million.

Financial restitution for victims.

Latitude for a judge to stiffen a sentence because of aggravating factors.

"This legislation stands up for victims of fraud and makes it easier for them to seek the restitution that they deserve," said Justice Minister Rob Nicholson.

"Individuals who perpetrate fraud will face sentences that match the severity of their crimes."
JUSTICE MINISTER ROB NICHOLSON

The legislation will require judges to consider restitution and require a guilty party to repay victims. Those found guilty could also be barred from ever handling people's money again.
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▶ Angelina, left, and Angelica Sabuco are cuddled by mom Ginady Sabuco a day before the operation that separated them. "This is a dream come true," Ginady said after the successful surgery yesterday.

Surgeons give twins new lives

Conjoined girls are separated in complex day-long operation

Angelina and Angelica Sabuco have just been given new lives — apart.

In the two years since they were born, the twin girls have been joined at the chest and abdomen.

But yesterday, doctors at Stanford University's children's hospital in California separated them in a remarkable day-long operation.

More than 40 people — doctors, nurses and other personnel — took part in the surgery on the two Philippines-born tots.

By mid-afternoon, hospital spokesperson Reena Mukamal announced the girls had been separated and moved to their own operating rooms for the second phase of the procedure — reconstructing the area where they were connected.

Two hours later, they were moved to the intensive-care unit, each with a scar stretching from chest to belly.

The complex operation involved cutting along the girls' skin and muscle and separating their diaphragms and livers.

Lead surgeon Dr. Gary Hartman said it all went smoothly. "The long-term prognosis is that we should have a happy, healthy set of girls."
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Manipulation is key in sex trade

Police investigator says relationship is exploitative

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"There are a number of overt and oppressive strategies that bawdy-house keepers, escort services, massage parlour owners and pimps can use to procure people into prostitution or keep them from leaving the sex-trade."
SGT. GENE BOWERS, WINNIPEG POLICE MORALS UNIT INVESTIGATOR

A mind for business, a measure of online savvy and a mendacious ability to manipulate using influence, not force.

These are among the attributes some who operate illegal sex-trade enterprises share, a report authored by a veteran Winnipeg police morals unit investigator suggests. For more than a decade, Sgt. Gene Bowers has been the city's go-to expert for police when it comes to probing the local sex-trade underworld.

The Crown requested Bowers file a statement of opinion regarding the case of a woman awaiting sentencing for running a Wolseley-area bawdy house.

But often, a common tactic operators employ to keep people working for them is to befriend them and let them believe they're engaged in a joint business relationship, he said.

"The relationship is exploitative but appears to be reciprocal on the surface," he stated. "As a result threats, violence or overt tactics are not required to have individuals continue on prostituting themselves while willingly turning over their money."

But ultimately, it's the business operator who comes out on top because the commodity in question can be continually sold with little effort or cost to the operator, he stated.

Charity. Chop

▶ Chef Richard Julien of Chef Live carves a 600-pound pumpkin with a chainsaw at Halifax Seed yesterday.

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Getting messy for a good cause

Julien says he plans to use the leftovers for this year's Pumpkins for Prostate pie-making fundraiser.

Cancer is our biggest killer

30 Cancer accounted for 30 per cent of all deaths in 2008, followed by heart disease (21 per cent) and stroke (6 per cent), Statistics Canada says.

A new report says cancer and heart disease were responsible for just over half of Canada's 238,617 deaths in 2008. And Statistics Canada reports cancer was the leading cause of death in every province and territory for the first time.
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Gold $1,711.80 (- $13.40)

Respect for referendum: Carney

Bank of Canada governor says vote in Greece may build support needed for austerity

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney says he respects the Greek prime minister's controversial call for a referendum on a new bailout package, saying the vote could be useful if it helps build support for necessary austerity.

But within hours, the question of whether such a vote would take place was up in the air as members of George Papandreou's government threatened to revolt over the surprise announcement.

That changed late yesterday, however, with his cabinet expressing unanimous support for the prime minister's surprise decision to call for a referendum on a hard-won European plan to rescue the Greek economy.

News of the referendum adds even more pressure on G20 leaders to bring a sense of calm to situation and restore market confidence that policy-makers know what they are doing.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty described the situation as "fragile and uncertain," to the Commons finance committee.

Meanwhile, Ontario Finance Minister Dwight Duncan said the impact of the Greek debt crisis on financial markets shows "how interdependent the world economies are."

Carney said that he still expects bailout measures will contain the situation — "but that's different than resolving the issues, (which) ... is going to take years." Details still need to be ironed out and Europe must implement the initiatives, and there may still be additional measures needed, he cautioned.

Markets will be looking for G20 leaders to unveil more details at the two-day summit in Cannes, starting Thursday, where Carney is to be confirmed as new head of the Financial Stability Board, placing the Canadian central banker at the forefront of measures to reform global financial markets.

Carney told the committee the European debt crisis remains the biggest concern for the global economy as well as Canada's.

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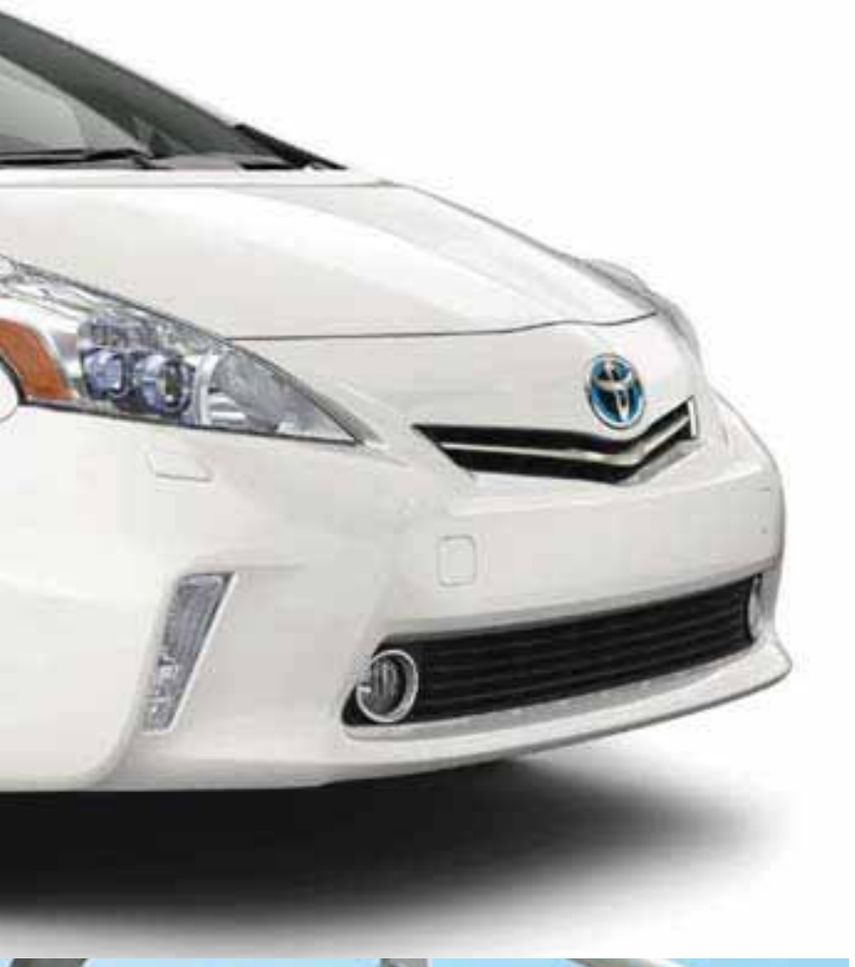
AS GASOLINE PRICES CONTINUE TO RISE, MORE CANADIANS ARE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SAVE MONEY AT THE PUMP



Toyota has responded by launching the 2012 Prius v, the latest addition to the Prius family of hybrid vehicles, which actually boasts better fuel efficiency than most SUVs on the road today.

Essentially, drivers can get more kilometers on less fuel. It's a win/win solution for Canadians wanting to reduce their carbon footprint and save money while doing so. That's because the Prius v is an environmentally responsible car that's not only better for the world around us, but better for our wallets as well, thanks to its impressive fuel efficiency.

A full hybrid gasoline-electric car (a 1.8-litre, four-cylinder gas engine and a 60 kW electric motor have a combined output of 134 horsepower), it produces 66 per cent fewer smog-forming emissions than the average conventionally powered new car, while delivering the same amount of space as many smaller SUVs. In fact, Prius v delivers the best fuel efficiency of any SUV, crossover or wagon on the road today.

Powered by the same Hybrid Synergy Drive System as the original Prius, Prius v's estimated fuel economy (the relationship between the distance travelled and the amount of fuel consumed) is 4.3-litres/100 km in the city, 4.8-litres/100 km on the highway and 4.6-litres/100 km combined.

Three driving conditions — gas only, electric motor only or a combination of the two — prioritize fuel consumption while Prius v's beltless engine ensures that every drop of gas goes into driving the car. This means fewer fill-ups are needed, saving drivers money on gas. Maintenance costs are also lower than for cars with traditional engines due to less brake pad wear (regenerative braking), lower loads on the engine and a simpler transmission, saving Prius v drivers even more money.

While other cars waste energy at stoplights, during braking and whenever the engine isn't running at optimum speed, Prius v actually stores and recovers energy in the nickel-metal hydride battery and then uses that energy when it's really needed, giving drivers more kilometres out of every litre of gas.

An added benefit for Canadians in particular is Prius v's exhaust heat recirculation system, tailor made for the Canadian climate. Essentially it transfers heat from the exhaust to the engine coolant, which warms the engine thereby improving start-up efficiency and fuel efficiency in the harsh winter months by allowing the gas engine to shut off more frequently and for longer periods.

Aside from delivering tremendous fuel efficiency, Prius v offers more room, more options, more savings for all Canadians and more reasons to choose to drive it.

By Heather Buchan

HOW MUCH CAN PRIUS V SAVE YOU?

BY THE NUMBERS

So, just how good is the fuel efficiency of the Prius v? Here's a breakdown of the key numbers:

Currently the cost of fuel is $1.20 per litre. Let's say you rack up 24,000 kilometers in one year. With a fuel efficiency of 4.6L/100 km combined* (that's city and highway driving), the Prius v will cost you just $1,324.80 annual in fuel.

Let's compare this to a vehicle with comparable cargo space …

HEAD-TO-HEAD COMPARISON

Despite having five cubic feet less cargo space than Prius v, the Ford Escape XLT's fuel efficiency is 8.7L/100 km combined (that's city and highway driving), which adds up to $2,505.60 in annual fuel costs. That's $1,180.80 more than Prius v.

Assuming the price of fuel is frozen for eight years (the length of the warranty for the Prius v hybrid system and battery), $9,446.40 will be saved in fuel costs during that time by driving Prius v.

Prius v also boasts regenerative braking, so the wear and tear on brakes is minimal because the brake pads last much longer than on gas-only vehicles.

**Based on 2011 Fuel Consumption Guide ratings published by Government of Canada. Actual fuel consumption may vary.*

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MY PROTEST WILL LAST LONGER THAN KIM'S MARRIAGE

JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN
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That's it.

I'm mad as hell and I'm not going to take it anymore.

Today, the news wires are clogged with the pathetic denouement of the Kardashian marriage. Kim, famous for nothing, dissolved her $10-million wedding 72 days after she and collateral damage Kris Humphries collected a cool $17.8 million for royalties from the vastly overblown event.

How do I know all this? All I had to do was go to my home page, iGoogle, and there were 2,968 Kardashian stories available for my edification.

At the same time Syria put land mines along the border with Lebanon, but that was a real yawner warranting a mere 360 articles. Do the math. That's 10 times more articles about Kim Kardashian than impending war between Syria and Lebanon.

"But enough about Kim Kardashian's $10-million phoney marriage, which could feed the one billion people on this planet who go hungry every night. That's just wrong."

This much ado about nothing comes at a time when journalists are whining about how our precious profession is being twittered to death by ducks. The truth is, what's really killing the news is a serious overdose of Kim Kardashian.

Of course, there wouldn't be any Kim Kardashian news if the public didn't want it. What's wrong with you people? Had enough of Jennifer Aniston?

Still, I wonder about all those otherwise grownup professionals who filed copy about the world's foremost phoney and her feckless boy-toy. It reminds me of the Richard Brautigan poem I Feel Horrible. She Doesn't: "I wander around the house like a sewing machine that's just finished sewing a turd to a garbage can lid."

As a protest against this outrage against humanity, I will Occupy the Internet until it stops.

I don't want to hear any more mealy mouthed arguments for "celebrity" journalism and "reality" TV, the Kardashian spawning ground.

I don't want to hear any more nonsense about how journalism is threatened by technology or the Mayan Calendar or global warming. It's threatened by bad choices. All we have to do is stop writing about Kim Kardashian. And other pointless phenomena.

I'm OK with confining Justin Bieber and Jennifer Aniston to the entertainment pages, although the actual form of entertainment has yet to be determined. But enough about Kim Kardashian's $10-million phoney marriage, which could feed the one billion people on this planet who go hungry every night. That's just wrong.

I know, it's hard to Occupy the Internet, as that's the whole point of the Internet. There's no there there. But that doesn't stop Kim Kardashian, who does it every day.

So it won't stop me either. This is my tent. I'm staying until they drag me away.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

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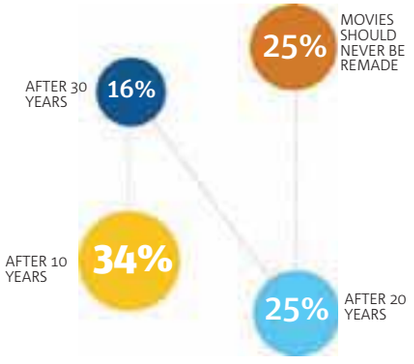
How soon is too soon to remake a film?



Local tweets

- **@thatguy666:** @SuzanneAnton If you try and force and end to Occupy Vancouver, you are obviously out of touch with your constituents. #badpoliticalmove
- **@Arsenalpulp:** D.O.A. and @DOAJoe will perform at the Occupy Vancouver site this Saturday, 5pm (Guy Fawkes Day) -- "in solidarity with the 99%"
- **@coffeefilter:** Suzanne Anton has to let go of the occupy Vancouver. This issue is going to be her undoing.
- **@DOAJoe:** did some trick or treating and then blew off a bunch of fireworks in honor of Guy Fawkes See DOA on Guy Fawkes Day Nov. 5 @ Occupy Vancouver
- **@onedayonearth:** In 11 days, 11 hours and 11 minutes, 11.11.11 will begin in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Vancouver, and Seattle. #onedayonearth
- **@charliedemers:** There's 7 billion people in the world, but everybody's tweeting about how few trick-or-treaters they had.
- **@chrissanislo:** Gotta say, that Raffi Torres makes a pretty convincing Jay-Z. Solid costuming.

Letters

RE: Canadian released from Saudi jail, published Nov. 1

I would like to personally thank you on behalf of the Muslim youth of Vancouver on reporting the story of Usama Al-Atar, the 33-year-old researcher who was jailed in Saudi Arabia during his recent trip for being a Shia Muslim.

I have known Al-Atar for about 15 years now. He is a mentor, teacher, friend and like a brother to me. I thank God for his safe release and once again and I thank Metro and those who made this story possible for people to read and be aware of the injustice that not only Usama Al-Atar faced, but what many other Shia Hajj pilgrims face every year.

MOHAMMED RASHID
VANCOUVER

I wanted to thank you for publishing the article about Usama Al-Atar. I appreciate your efforts to publish news about Canadians who are faced with difficulties even in other countries, which truly demonstrates your fidelity towards delivering the right news, regardless of whatever background or religion they have. **SAEED ASH**

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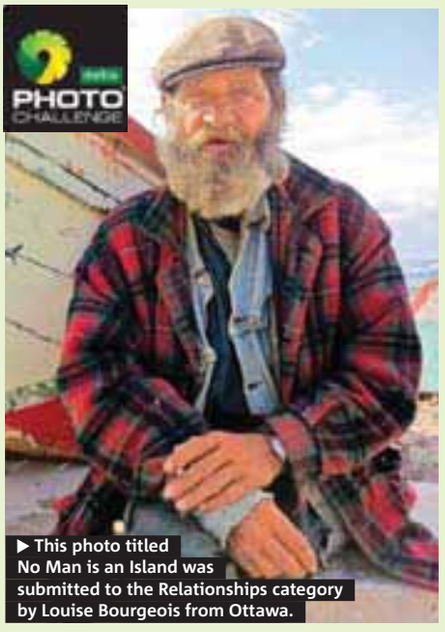

▶ This photo titled No Man is an Island was submitted to the Relationships category by Louise Bourgeois from Ottawa.

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WEIRD NEWS

Resorts have gone to the dogs

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▶ Yorkshire terrier Betsey Johnson

You are spending the holidays with Aunt Nellie in Kansas. Your dog will be staying in a hotel suite called Neiman Barcus with a flat-screen TV. There might be surf lessons, catered meals, a massage, pawdicure, spa bath and photo shoot.

Boarding your pet has changed a lot over the past decade. If money is no object, there is no end to the extravagances you can order for your pet. The Barkley Pet Hotel & Day Spa — which really does have a Neiman Barcus suite — is a one-of-a-kind animal funhouse in Westlake Village, northwest of Los Angeles. You can rent a Serenity Suite for $44 a night or reserve a storefront suite on Rodeo Drive or Hollywood Boulevard (they start at $72.50 a night). Add-ons include day-camp sessions, limousine pickup and delivery, surf lessons, charm school, a mud mask, obedience training, holiday fur-dyeing and filet mignon.

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Putting the 'X' in Xmas

It's been six years since their Guantanamo Bay adventure Harold and Kumar are back with ridiculous yuletide antics Watch as they burn down the Christmas tree and party with Jesus

IN FOCUS

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The week after Halloween is a strange time to be writing about Christmas movies. Almost like cooking a Thanksgiving dinner in July.

But if department stores can display Lady Gaga masks beside Christmas ornaments and Hollywood can release A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas while we're still digesting our Halloween haul, I can write about some movies that put the tinsel in Tinsel Town.

Harold and Kumar isn't your average Christmas movie.

I doubt Jimmy Stewart would have considered burning down the family Christmas tree part of his wonderful Yuletide life, but Harold and Kumar aren't the first to put the X into Xmas.

Many movies are set at Christmastime — the Brat Packer flick Less Than Zero features an LA Yule, and Die Hard takes place on Christmas Eve — but I'm thinking of movies that use the holidays as a springboard for the action.

CONTRIBUTED

▶ John Cho as Harold, left, Neil Patrick Harris as himself and Kal Penn as Kumar in A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas.

The raunchiest Christmas movie has to Bad Santa, starring Billy Bob Thornton as a boozed-up, thieving department store Kris Kringle.

Unsentimental and crude, Bad Santa is bound to make the elves choke on their eggnog.

Dan Aykroyd also played a less than cuddly Santa in Trading Places. Drunk, disorderly and waving a gun around, he even has a fish hidden in his fake beard.

Unwrap Mixed Nuts, the 1994 Nora Ephron black comedy, and you'll find Christmas tree theft, lunatics and the worst Christmas gift ever: a dead body.

Staying up on Christmas Eve, waiting for Santa to come, will be easy after watching Black Christmas. You'll be too scared to sleep!

The tinsel terror about a mysterious killer in the attic is considered to be the first modern slasher movie.

Gremlins mixes horror, humour and ho ho ho's. Set at Christmas, the story of little creatures who turn nasty when wet features a gory story about a missing father, a chimney, an overstuffed Santa suit and the punchline, "And that's how I found out there was no Santa Claus."

A very merry Crime Christmas can be had in both The Ref and Reindeer Games.

In The Ref, cat burglar Dennis Leary soon regrets breaking into the home of squabbling couple Kevin Spacey and Judy Davis on Christmas Eve.

Reindeer Games sees Ben Affleck reluctantly rob a casino at Christmas.

The movie is such a lump of coal that one of its stars had this to say about it: "That was a bad, bad, bad movie," said Charlize Theron.

Taking the kiddie out of kid lit

Having never been a fan of traditional children's books, author Douglas Coupland decided it'd be fun to reinterpret the genre in a way that isn't suitable for most kids.

His new book Highly Inappropriate Tales for Young People, which he created with Canadian illustrator Graham Roumieu, probably won't be a big hit with parents.

But Coupland says he would have loved to have read something like it when he was young.

"I never read kids books, I hated them, I sort of thought they pandered to you," Coupland said in an interview. "If I had found this book when I was a kid I would've been, 'Yes! This confirms everything I thought about adulthood!' And I would've been quite happy, I think."

The book is more likely to be stocked in bookstores by Adam Mansbach and Ricardo Cortes' Go the (Bleep) to Sleep, than with with Dr. Seuss or Robert Munsch titles.

D.J. WEIR

▶ Douglas Coupland

"I don't know who's going to read it, if it's kids, or maybe it's like you buy it and say, 'Kids, whatever you do, don't read this book' — and then hide it some place easy to find," says Coupland.

"Or hide it with a pack of cigarettes."

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"Kids books in general, I think, treat kids like they're dumb."
AUTHOR DOUGLAS COUPLAND

Evil characters

Coupland's seven short stories feature characters like Donald the Incredibly Hostile Juice Box, who is made up of a little fruit juice and sugar, but mostly evil.

- He lives to torment other juice boxes by stabbing their foil straw holes and spilling out their insides.
- Or there's Sandra the Truly Dreadful Babysitter, who stays employed despite forcing children to shoplift and dabble in arson.

2 scene

Scene at a glance

Jimmy Kimmel is going to be cracking jokes for the U.S. president. The White House Correspondents' Association says the Jimmy Kimmel Live! host will be the featured comedian at its 98th annual dinner next year. Association president Caren Bohan said yesterday that the 43-year-old entertainer was chosen because his "humour is sophisticated and edgy while appealing to a wide audience." The White House Correspondents' Association dinner is traditionally attended by the president and his wife, along with various government officials and members of the press corps. Kimmel said in a statement that he is looking forward to being part of the event on April 28, 2012, adding, "I love dinner."
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From Ugly Betty to foxy Roxie: America Ferrera to play the Chicago femme fatale in London

60 seconds

▶ Down With Webster.

TIME TO WIN (AGAIN)

DOWN WITH WEBSTER RELEASES DEBUT DISC

Down With Webster are finally ready to release their debut album, but they have little in common with most fledgling newcomers.

For one thing, the excitable six-piece rap-rock outfit has already amassed three Juno Award nominations and six MuchMusic Video Award nods. They've penned three platinum singles and their introductory EP went gold.

And then there are the fervid fans, the youthful lot who've swarmed the group's red-carpet arrivals — screeching and squawking like they've had a brush with Bieber — and moshed through their increasingly well-attended shows. Droves of face-painted followers even showed up to cheer guitarist Tyler Armes through a charity hockey game earlier this year.

So although the six members of Down With Webster hope to grow their audience far beyond the teen set with Time to Win, Vol. II — a suitably strange title for a debut that really isn't one — they don't want to lose their young fanbase in the process.

"We don't feel jaded yet, like, 'We're just here pumping out pop for these stupid kids,' you know?" said personable rapper Cam Hunter in a recent interview from the band's headquarters, a garage in residential Toronto.

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Revenge proves sweet for actress

VanCamp living it up on new Canadian soap ◗ TV show among the fall season's brighter stars ◗ Show finding success north and south of border

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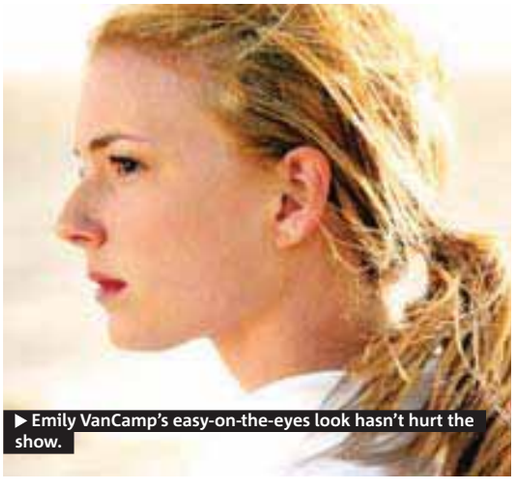

▶ Emily VanCamp's easy-on-the-eyes look hasn't hurt the show.

With its sudsy romantic storylines, backstabbing beauties and absurdly opulent surroundings, the insidiously infectious Revenge has been hailed by many TV critics as the fall season's top guilty pleasure.

And Canadian star Emily VanCamp has no qualms with that description, even if the "guilty" part sometimes implies a rather back-handed compliment.

"I think we've really embraced the fact that, yeah, we are sort of a juicy throwback to the old night-time soaps and I think if you try to fight that, then you're taking yourself too seriously and that comes out in the product," the affable VanCamp said in a recent telephone interview.

"I mean, the stakes are so high with these characters, and there's so much drama and intensity, that if we didn't allow it to be a bit campy, it wouldn't work — it's gotta have that sort of surreal, kind of heightened Hitchcockian feel to it or else it does not work.

"So I love it. It's all been so positive. I don't care what (the media) wants to call it, as long as they're telling people to watch it."

So far, attracting viewers hasn't been a problem.

Perhaps the primary reason for the widespread appeal is the show's pulpy premise. VanCamp plays Emily, a cold-blooded social assassin who aims to avenge the death of her father by moving to an abundantly affluent neighbourhood in the Hamptons and systematically destroying the lives of the duplicitous, well-heeled locals who allowed her dad to take the fall for crimes he didn't commit.

Viewers have revelled in VanCamp's morally dubious takedowns. In one early episode, she manipulates a state senator — who helped put her father behind bars — into retiring from public life over an extra-marital affair. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tough move

For VanCamp herself, the show's early success validates a gutsy career move.

Bold after three years on Brothers & Sisters, VanCamp was asked to renegotiate her contract and instead decided to move on from the show, chalking the move up to a creative decision. At that time she didn't have any industry work prospects.

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MEXICO'S COLONIAL CITY ON THE BEACH

Mazatlan stands out among tourist destinations as one that provides sun, surf, history and culture. Mazatlan's privileged location- on the Pacific Coast at the foot of the Sierra Madre mountains- has attracted tourists for decades. As a gateway to the sea and Mexico, the city has attracted visitors for centuries. Today, Mazatlan offers an array of experiences for all ages.

Mexico's colonial city on the beach offers a wide range of outdoor activities. Recognized worldwide as a first-class fishing destination, Mazatlan hooks anglers in pursuit of big game like sailfish, marlin and tuna that teem in the waters just offshore. Golfers play at world-class courses, including El Cid Golf & Country Club's Lee Trevino championship course; Estrella Del Mar, a Robert Trent Jones design, and the new Marina Mazatlan Golf Course designed by David Fleming. Other outdoor excursions include kayaking, sailing and zip-lining.

Culture and history lovers explore the streets of the old town. The neoclassical Angela Peralta Theater hosts performances by internationally acclaimed artists. Outside, restaurants at Plaza Machado buzz with patrons and live music. After exploring the city, visitors can tour nearby picturesque Colonial towns. Copala, El Quelite and La Noria are three of the most popular communities. Savor regional cuisine; explore 17th-century artwork and historic sites dating back to the 1500s.

"Mazatlan's rich culture and unrivalled hospitality sets our city apart from other destinations," says Carlos Berdegue, vice president, Mazatlan Hotel Association and Tourism Trust. "Visitors here enjoy beautiful weather and Pacific Coast sunsets alongside a lively historic center, renowned cuisine and premier resorts. There's also top-ranked spas, championship golf and year-round events. We are committed to showcasing the many sides of Mazatlan." Contact your travel agent to book your Mazatlan holiday.

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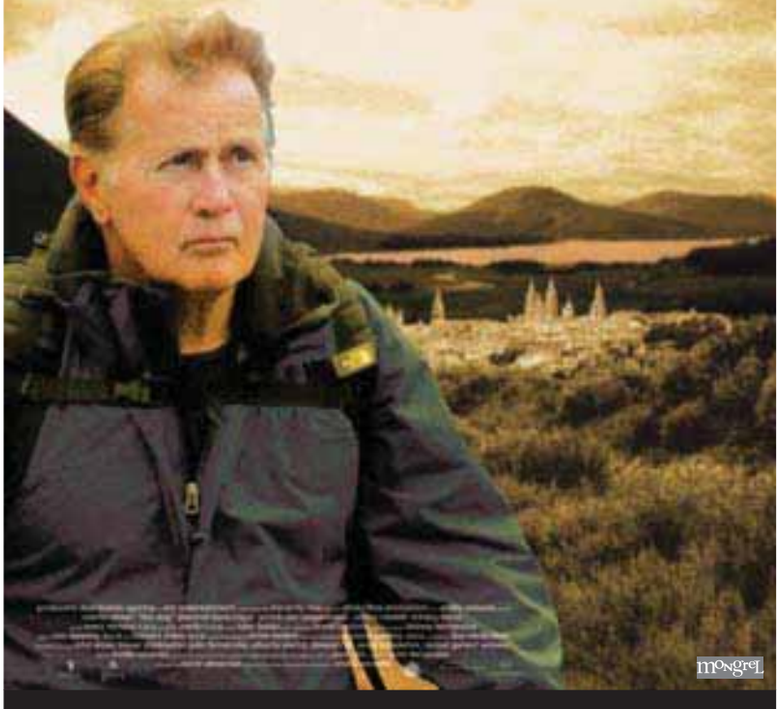

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KIM KEEPS THE JEWELS

THE WORD

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Wait — you didn't really think we were done with Kim Kardashian, did you? Far from it, kupcakes. When there's a four-hour reality TV special on your $10 million wedding, you better believe there's weeks worth of gossip when you divorce 72 days later.

Humphries is 'devastated'

While Kim's statement was clearly written by her publicist while she went shopping, Humphries was a little less guarded: "I love my wife and am devastated to learn she filed for divorce," he said in a statement to E! News on Monday evening. "I'm committed to this marriage and everything this covenant represents. I'm willing to do whatever it takes to make it work."

Are we starting to … feel bad for a member of the Kardashian family? Make this stop. Make this stop right now.

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▶ Kim Kardashian

Won't somebody think of the diamonds?!

In the divorce filing, Kim asked that jewelry acquired during their marriage remain hers, according to E! Online. The actual pieces are unspecified, and we don't put it past this girl to accumulate some serious gems in 72 days. That said, we're pretty sure this has something to do with that $2 million diamond on her finger.

Our favourite explanation

If we start explaining the divorce, are we implying that the marriage was real? No matter, this one is too good to pass up: Kim was annoyed that Humphries began "chasing fame" and trying to break into Hollywood, reports TMZ. Save it for your three-part "moving on" special, lady.

TODAY'S THE WORD IS WRITTEN BY MONICA WEYMOUTH

Death-defying Johnny Depp

Star has surprising reaction when engines stop on private plane

▶ Johnny Depp

Johnny Depp had a brush with death on a private plane recently, but at least he's taking it well.

"The plane just shut down. The sound of the engines stopped," Depp tells Life magazine of a flight he took with the Rum Diary director Bruce Robinson.

"Bruce and I were looking at each other and I think I said, 'Is this it?' It was like this weird extended moment when you're just floating for a second and you could feel this unpleasant descent.

"Nobody said a word except for Bruce and I, sitting next to each other saying, 'Oh s—! This is death. I guess this is how it goes down.' Then we burst into hysterical laughter at the idea that this was how we were going to die."

The engines soon kicked back on, though, and the flight returned to normal. METRO

Moore hits the town — alone

▶ Demi Moore

Demi Moore was spotted out recently, shaking off her recent marital troubles to enjoy a star-studded Halloween party in Beverly Hills, according to Us Weekly. "She was having fun, [and] she drank. But she wasn't the belle of the ball. Everyone at the party was drunk," a source says. Other guests at the bash included Cameron Diaz, Eli Roth and director Todd Phillips. Moore, though, showed up alone, with Ashton Kutcher nowhere to be seen. METRO

Hit the slopes early

With temperatures dropping and snow falling, early ski season never looked so good

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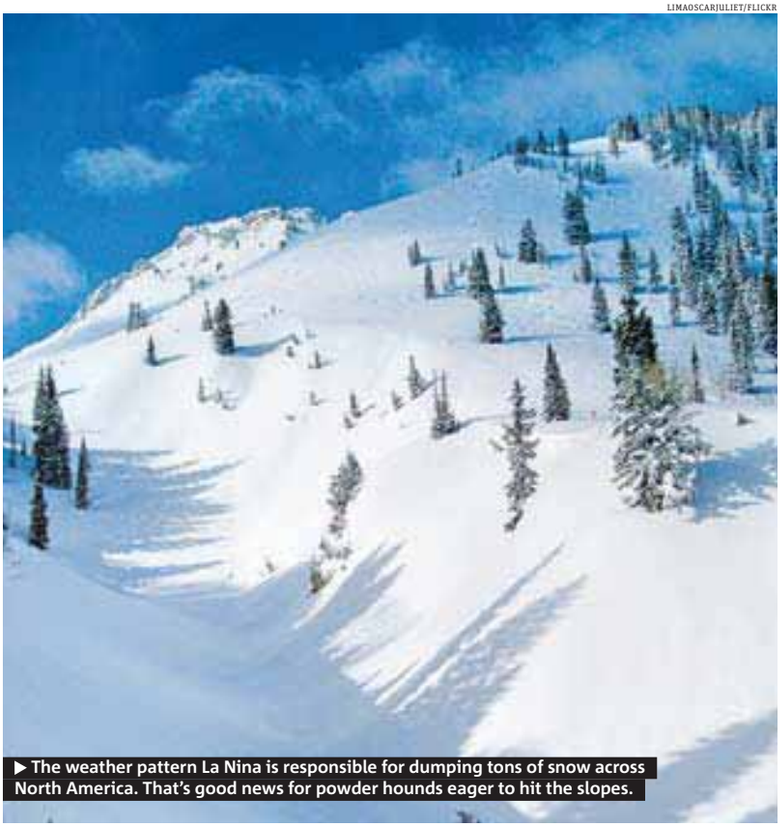

▶ The weather pattern La Nina is responsible for dumping tons of snow across North America. That's good news for powder hounds eager to hit the slopes.

Two words: La Nina. It's a weather pattern, which simply put, dumps a ton of snow on North America – particularly in the north west and northern California. Last year it led to record snowfalls in many resorts — Mammoth saw 16.8 metres — while Fernie in British Columbia racked up 11 metres. If La Nina is back this year, and the signs are pointing to just that with colder-than-normal temperatures and heavy precipitation, then it's time to pick your resort.

Despite its relatively low altitude — the resort sits at 675 metres with the highest lift rising to 2,284 metres — Whistler, B.C., had a great season last year thanks to La Nina with 15.6 metres of snow falling.

Already the resort has seen remarkable snowfall with skiers riding the Blackcomb glacier as early as Oct. 6. Whistler is due to open on Nov. 24 and the resort is currently offering savings of up to 36 per cent on accommodation and lift pass packages if you book before Nov. 15. If it could get through the snow, that early bird could catch a great worm (whistlerblackcomb.com).

Keystone, Colo., will be throwing open its pistes on Nov. 4 with early-season skiers reaping the benefits of sophisticated snowmaking, sheltered tree runs and a superb snowpark without the crowds.

The resort shares the Epic pass with nearby Breckenridge, Beaver Creek, Vail and A-Basin so good snow is not hard to find (keystone.com).

Grand Targhee, Wyo. saw 14.8 metres fall last season and its dry powder is the stuff of legends. The resort is so confident you will love it, it even offers a refund on your liftpass should your skiing be less than satisfactory (grandtarghee.com).

Alta, Utah has a base elevation of 2,600 metres, making skiing a definite possibility come Christmas, or before — it plans to open on Nov. 18 (alta.com).

If La Nina doesn't materialize you need a resort with good snowmaking, like Northstar-at-Tahoe, Calif. (northstarattahoe.com). Not only has the resort increased its skiable terrain by 10 per cent this season, but 50 per cent of it is covered by snowmaking facilities, so powder turns are guaranteed.

SOME OF THE BEST POWDER RESORTS IN NORTH AMERICA

MOUNT BAKER
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In 1999 Mt Baker held the record for the most snowfall in a season – 29 metres. Last year the small resort (only nine chairlifts) recorded 21.7 metres with 2.6 metres falling in November. Want powder? Head west. **mtbaker.us**

REVELSTOKE
British Columbia

With over 1,214 hectares of skiable area and North America's greatest vertical drop, this modest resort near Golden is a powder-hound Mecca offering Heli and Cat Skiing from the village base. **revelstokemountainresort.com**

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Travel in brief

Want first crack at the runs in Aspen? The Aspen Skiing Co. is offering an Ultimate Ski Pass that will let you have unlimited first tracks before chairlifts open to the public — for $25,000. The exclusive passes also allow holders to meet members of the U.S. Women's Ski Team when they race in Aspen on the U.S. Thanksgiving weekend.
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It's the great pumpkin

Halloween may be over, and while all that candy quickly disappears, those gourds are still all over the place Time to carve up a few desserts — and keep your sweet tooth happy

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Here's a show-stopper dessert that uses delicious homemade caramel to add some pizzazz in flavour.

The caramel firms up to give a slightly chewy toffee-like texture to these tarts and becomes the perfect backdrop for the pumpkin mousse to sit on. Warm the remaining caramel sauce and drizzle it over the tarts before serving.

Caramel Pumpkin Spice Mousse Tarts Preparation:

1 In a high-sided heavy saucepan, stir together sugar and water over medium heat, stirring until dissolved. Increase heat to medium-high, cover and bring to a rolling boil. Uncover and boil, without stirring for about 10 minutes or until deep amber colour. Swirl pan as necessary to cook evenly. Remove from heat and slowly add hot cream. Stir with long-handled spoon until blended and bubbles subside.

2 Pour about 1 tbsp (15 ml) of the caramel into bottom of each baked tart shells. Refrigerate for 15 minutes or until caramel is set on top and reserve remaining caramel sauce.

3 In a large bowl, whip cream and icing sugar until they form stiff peaks. Using whisk, whisk in pumpkin, brown sugar, cinnamon, ginger and nutmeg until no streaks remain. Scrape mousse into piping bag fitted with star tip, pipe into caramel-filled tart shells and refrigerate for at least 1 hour or up to 1 day before serving. Tip: If you don't have a piping bag, fill a resealable plastic bag and pipe in filling or spoon into prepared tart shells.

4 Warm remaining caramel sauce and drizzle tarts before serving.

Ingredients:
- 1 cup (250 ml) granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) water
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) hot whipping cream
- 12 baked tart shells

Pumpkin Spice Mousse:
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) whipping cream
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) icing sugar
- 1 cup (250 ml) pumpkin or butternut squash puree
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) packed brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) each ground cinnamon and ginger
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) ground nutmeg

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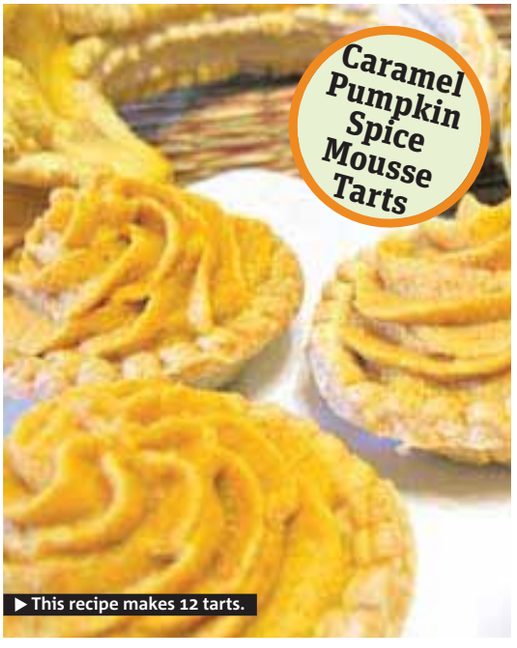

▶ This recipe makes 12 tarts.

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Cocktail of the week

Pumpkin Pie Punch

This blend of spices, apple cider and ginger ale is delicious and rich, yet still refreshing. Leave it as is for kids, but add vodka or rum for an adult version.

- 1 can (398 ml/14 oz) pumpkin puree
- 250 ml (1 cup) packed dark brown sugar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cinnamon
- 5 ml (1 tsp) ground ginger
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) nutmeg
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) ground cloves
- 2 l (8 cups) apple cider
- 2 l (8 cups) ginger ale

In a medium bowl, whisk together pumpkin, brown sugar, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and cloves. Add apple cider and whisk until smooth and sugar is dissolved. Chill. In a punch bowl, gently stir together cider-pumpkin mixture and ginger ale. Serve with ice. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Have you made a major mistake?

You're sick of the subject you've chosen to study and contemplating a switch Take a moment to mull this over

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Many students enter university knowing exactly what major they want to specialize in — at least they think they do.

But as students, we encounter new interests and challenges, giving us newfound perspective and knowledge. These insights can contradict existing notions and fall contrary to previous expectations.

I, for one, always knew that I wanted to study journalism, but I decided to enter university under another major so that I could work toward a greater understanding of my future program. In doing so, I built the proper knowledge, resources and mind-set required for journalism school.

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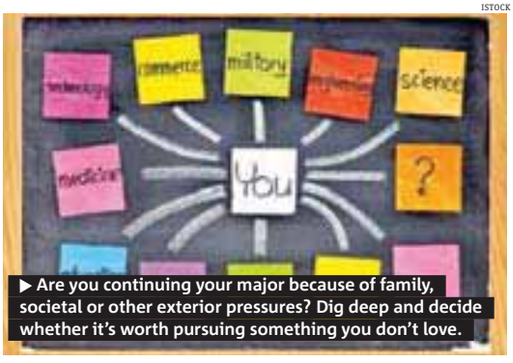

▶ Are you continuing your major because of family, societal or other exterior pressures? Dig deep and decide whether it's worth pursuing something you don't love.

But switching majors is not as easy as it seems. As someone who switched majors during my undergraduate degree, I know finding the right major for you can be difficult and overwhelming. There are many things to consider when doing so.

Meeting requirements

Each program has different requirements. Some programs are based on a grades-only application, whereas others require grades plus non-academic submissions, such as portfolios, or audio and tape submissions.

When I applied to Ryerson University's journalism program, I applied under the grades plus program, which required me to submit a select number of published works. I completed a lot of work outside school hours so that my portfolio would guarantee me acceptance into the program.

Switching to a more specialized program will demand a lot more than high grades. Additionally, if you are applying to a program that is in-demand, you should make sure that your grades surpass the minimum grade requirement to get into the program.

Researching the program

Before deciding to switch programs, it is necessary to research exactly what your intended field of study entails.

You can never know too much, so do your homework prior to switching majors.

Seek resources within your school; talk to department heads, people at the career centre and anyone who can help guide you in the right direction.

Do your research and don't forget about the simple, yet crucial requirements, such as having a minimum number of field-related courses and making sure that you do not miss crucial deadlines for transferring.

Sacrifice

Most people forget about the sacrifices that come with switching majors. When you decide to transfer programs you are agreeing to forfeit your existing major. Since program requirements vary, this could mean that the one or two years spent in your program will essentially be discredited and not counted toward your new major.

It also means having to start from scratch again. I was extremely happy to switch programs and be able to study my true calling. I was, however, a little disappointed when I realized that all my hard work was not going to be accounted for. It is a difficult reality to grapple with, especially if you are someone who wants to finish school as quickly as possible, or if you face major financial constraints.

Then there are other minor inconveniences such as the transfer process, which can be difficult and laborious. There are many forms to fill, fees to pay and places to drop things off to.

Ultimately, however, you have to be in a major that is complementary to your abilities and preferences. If you are unhappy with what you are studying, it is not worth spending your time and money continuing.

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Not working out

If you find yourself in one of the following situations, you may want to consider switching majors:

- Failing the majority of your classes
- On academic probation more than once
- Always dropping classes
- Dreading school
- Unable to picture a career in your major

WHEN A MINISTRY MAKES THE WRONG MOVE...

WORKPLACE LAW

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An individual's experience, related below, provides an example of why you must be careful when you call a provincial Ministry of Labour.

Following her termination, an individual contacted the Ontario Ministry of Labour, seeking some advice about her situation. She had not yet contacted a lawyer and the ministry representative who was randomly assigned to pick up the phone did not immediately encourage her to do so.

The individual planned to contest her dismissal and so the representative immediately encouraged her to file a complaint. This was the first error. Although the Ministry enforces the provincial legislation, it cannot provide a remedy for more significant claims for wrongful dismissal since most of those claims generally exceed the scope of the legislation.

As well, even though the Ministry could easily address and then remedy the complaint, this was not the problem. It was that once it has taken steps to do so, an individual loses the right to later file a wrongful dismissal claim in court. Here, since this person's damages were in excess of the statutory minimum, the bulk of her damages then would be relinquished — an issue that most employment lawyers would spot as a matter of course.

The Ministry has many safeguards, but they are not always effective. No surprise there. After most complaints are made, the Ministry mails the claimant a standard form letter explaining that if the complaint is not withdrawn within two weeks, the claimant will not be able to later file a wrongful dismissal claim. However, since most people will believe, even if incorrectly, that they received "advice" from a Ministry, they are unlikely to withdraw their complaint or later pay for a lawyer's time to obtain a second opinion. The result is that they are then stuck with their original claim.

This example is not an exception. The Ministry's hotline, which fields calls from prospective complaints, should explain only what the Act says and how it may have been interpreted in the past. There is no mandate to provide recommendations, or worse, to provide advice. Yet it happens anyway when the general public or some of the Ministry's representatives habitually blur this distinction. When they do, the public's interests may be subverted. **DANIEL LUBLIN IS AN EMPLOYMENT LAWYER WITH WHITTEN & LUBLIN LLP.**

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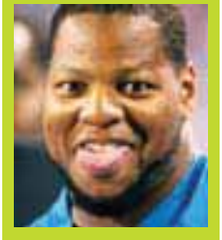

"I have gained a better understanding (of) how I need to continue to play the game to help my team win."

DETROIT LIONS DEFENSIVE TACKLE NDAMUKONG SUH, AFTER MEETING WITH NFL COMMISSIONER ROGER GOODELL AND HIS STAFF YESTERDAY TO CLARIFY QUESTIONS ABOUT HIS PLAY AND THE GAME. SUH REQUESTED THE BYE-WEEK SESSION IN NEW YORK AT NFL HEADQUARTERS TO TALK ABOUT THE FLAGS AND FINES HE HAS RECEIVED.

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Unwelcome guests

Edler continues hot play on road **Luongo solid, just misses shutout**

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Vancouver's Alexandre Burrows celebrates his goal last night.

Vancouver defenceman Alexander Edler scored and added two assists and Roberto Luongo made 28 saves as the Canucks routed the Calgary Flames 5-1 last night.

Chris Higgins, Alexandre Burrows, Daniel Sedin and Cody Hodgson also scored for Vancouver (6-5-1) to kick off a six-game road trip.

Alex Tanguay scored the lone goal for Calgary (4-5-1) and ruined Luongo's shutout bid with 32 seconds left in the game.

Edler's assists came in the first period as the visitors silenced the Saddledome crowd by scoring a pair of power-play goals in the final seven minutes to open up a 3-0 lead.

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Vancouver opened the scoring 7:57 into the first period when Higgins took a breakaway pass from Jannik Hansen and cleanly beat Miikka Kiprusoff with a backhand. It was Higgins' team-leading sixth of the year.

24-8

Vancouver improves to 10-0-2 against the Flames since last losing in regulation to Calgary on Oct. 16, 2009. That includes five straight victories in Calgary by a combined score of 24-8.

The Canucks made it 2-0 at 13:42 on the power play when Burrows swiped the puck in from just outside the crease.

Vancouver got another man advantage in the final minute of the period and Daniel Sedin converted at 19:41 on a setup by his brother Henrik.

Despite getting outshot 12-4 in the second, Vancouver scored the only two goals to blow open the game.

The Canucks made it 4-0 at 3:47 when Flames defenceman Mark Giordano left Hodgson uncovered for an easy goal into an empty net on a nice Maxim Lapierre feed.

Edler scored Vancouver's fifth goal at 11:27 on a slapshot with Hodgson screening Kiprusoff. Edler has 12 points so far, which ranks him third among NHL defencemen behind co-leaders Erik Karlsson from Ottawa and Tampa Bay's Marc-Andre Bergeron.

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Bruce unites Lions off the field

The B.C. Lions coaching staff had just finished giving out the team's weekly awards yesterday when slotback Arland Bruce got up to say something. Bruce began dispensing his own awards.

Backup quarterback Mike Reilly was given a CD for keeping the team loose on the sidelines. Bruce improved centre Angus Reid's street cred by handing him a video of rap music. Reserve linebacker Amara Kamara was tossed a T-shirt for showing up for a meeting even though one hadn't been called.

It was a light-hearted moment at a time during the CFL season when there's a lot of pressure. It also showed how Bruce has added something more to the Lions than his ability to make big catches.

"I don't think we can understate how much he's helped," said quarterback Travis Lulay.

"He's made an immediate impact. I could tell from the first week he was here that he was going to be a big help."

The Lions were 0-5 when they obtained Bruce from the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in an Aug. 3 trade for a third-round draft pick in 2012 and an additional conditional selection.

In the 11 games Bruce has played for B.C. the Lions are 9-2. If the Lions (10-7) beat the Montreal Alouettes (10-7) at B.C. Place Saturday night, they will finish first in the CFL West and host the West final.

Is it just a coincidence B.C.'s turnaround started around the time Bruce arrived? Slotback Geroy Simon doesn't think so.

"He opened up a lot of things for our offence," said Simon. "That's one more weapon teams have to worry about."

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Original start date to NBA season arrives with no lockout resolution

The original start date to the NBA season has arrived with progress still stalled in the negotiations to end the lockout. A person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press yesterday that no further talks had been scheduled yet.

Players and owners made progress on a number of issues related to the salary cap system over two days last week. But the negotiations fell apart again on the third day, when the sides revisited the revenue-sharing split.

Owners are insistent on a 50-50 split, while players have proposed reducing their guarantee from 57 per cent down to 52.5, which they say would transfer more than $1.5 billion US to owners over six years.

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Lost openers

Three games had been scheduled for last night.

The Mavericks would have opened the defence of their first NBA title at home against Derrick Rose and the Chicago Bulls. Houston was at Utah, and Kevin Durant's Thunder were at Kobe Bryant's Lakers.

Engine

Very little has changed beneath the hood of both gasoline-engine Camrys, although Toyota now rates the standard-issue 178-horsepower 2.5-litre four-cylinder at 8.2 l/100 km in the city and 5.6 on the highway, compared to the 2011 model's 9.0/6.0 numbers. Meanwhile, the carryover 268-horsepower 3.5-litre V-6 achieves a claimed 9.7/6.4 city/highway, compared with 10.6/6.8 before.

Interior

The interior is where this Camry makes a definitive statement. The organically-shaped dashboard presents a layered appearance and lacks the former droopy look.

As well, the dash and control panel's shiny bits added to up-level models are tastefully done. Buyers can now choose from four different upholstery finishes, depending on the model, from woven fabric on base models to leather with faux suede seat covers at the luxury end of the scale.

Gas-saving Hybrid

Easily the most impressive fuel-efficiency gain originates from the new Camry Hybrid. Toyota has installed a 156-horsepower 2.5-litre four-cylinder engine that replaces the 147-horse 2.4-litre. The 2.5 functions in tandem with an electric motor. Most importantly, fuel-economy numbers improve to 4.5 l/100 km in the city and 4.9 highway, versus 5.7 city and highway for the 2011 Hybrid. Additionally, the more compact battery system located behind the rear seat means more trunk space.

▶ Certainly sporty for a Camry and not exactly a radical departure from the previous model. Toyota has never really needed to dramatically change the Camry formula to keep it on top.

What you always get in a Camry ... and more

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It has been a rocky road for the Toyota faithful as the company recovers from natural disaster and a rash of very public — and extensive — recalls that threw into question its normally cut-above-the-rest reputation.

So, the question is whether the new seventh-generation Camry and Camry Hybrid will get you down to the dealership to sign on the dotted line.

Honestly, it should, based on a number of key incremental improvements to fuel economy and interior quality in particular.

Despite the best efforts of the Honda Accord, Chevrolet Malibu and Hyundai Sonata, the Camry has owned the numero uno spot outright for the past decade.

And it has managed this feat by playing it safe with styling, steadily improving its safety and technology features and offering its loyal owners plenty of cabin comfort and refinement.

For 2012, the Camry's oh-so-subtle physical changes include a pointier front end, chiselled front fenders and an accent crease extending across the doors and fenders.

Compared to a similarly contented 2011 base model, the list price has been reduced by $1,600.

You might consider that a return-to-full-strength bonus, however for the conservative Camry, saving money is always in fashion.

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By comparison

Ford Fusion
Base price: $21,600
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Honda Accord
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Looking for a second-hand family hauler crossover?

The second-generation Kia Sportage is worth a check.

It's a five-seat compact ute that was available with four or six-cylinder power.

Sizing was in roughly the same ballpark as the Honda CR-V, Toyota RAV4 and Ford Escape.

The second-generation Sportage's lifespan on our shores ran from model years 2005 to 2009, with a mandatory makeover and refresh part way through.

2005 to '09 Kia Sportage

Engine

Look for a two-litre, 140-horsepower four-cylinder or a 2.7-litre V-6 with 173. Automatic or manual transmissions and front or four-wheel drive were available.

What owners like

Sportage owners enjoy a sturdy ride, compact handling and parking dynamics, confidence on slippery roads and plenty of real-world versatility. Overall interior and exterior styling are also rated highly, as is fuel efficiency with the four-cylinder engine.

What owners dislike

Complaints tend to centre mainly around poor engine performance, bare-bones equipment levels on low-end models, and excessive wind-noise at higher speeds.

Common issues

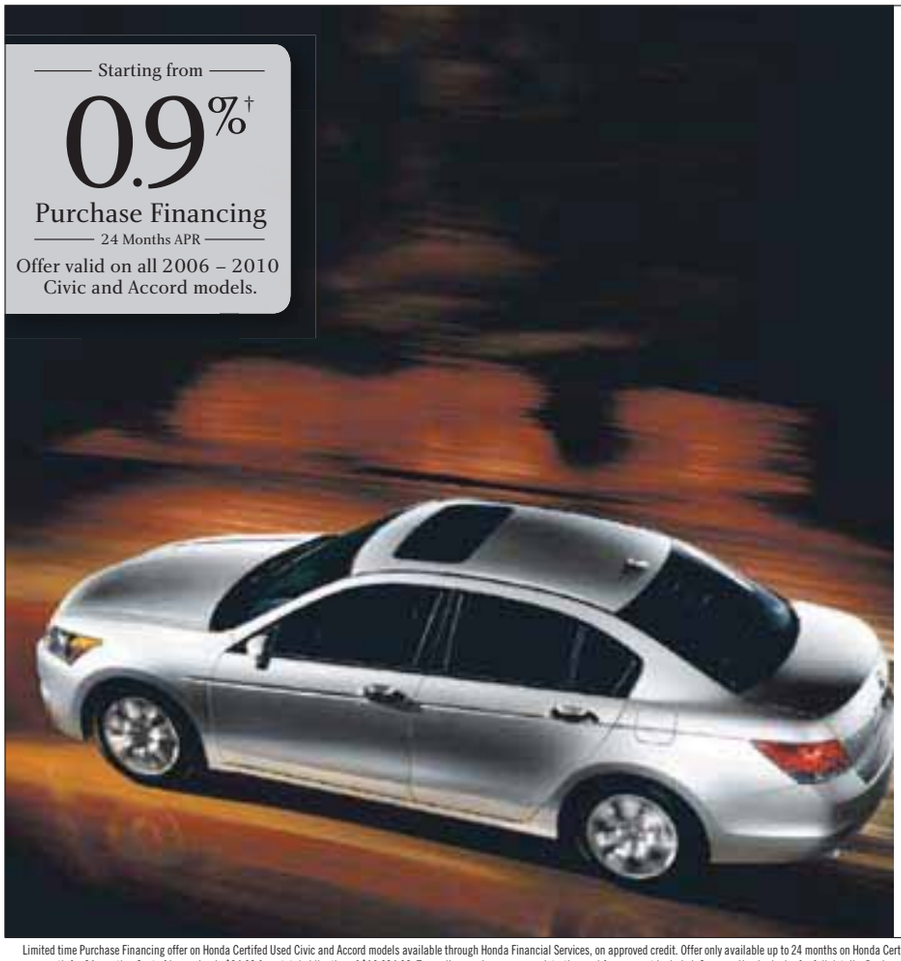
Ensure the cruise control and air conditioning work properly.

If the engine seems to "sputter" or deliver power in a "lumpy" fashion, the culprit could be a clogged fuel filter or a bad engine control sensor. Note that a mechanic can scan the engine computer for potential engine sensor issues.

Models with the automatic transmission that shift harshly or abruptly could be suffering from a computer-related problem as well.

Verdict

Where reliability is concerned, the Sportage looks like a solid second-hand bet. Thanks to relatively low resale values, one won't be required to sever an appendage when it comes time to pay.



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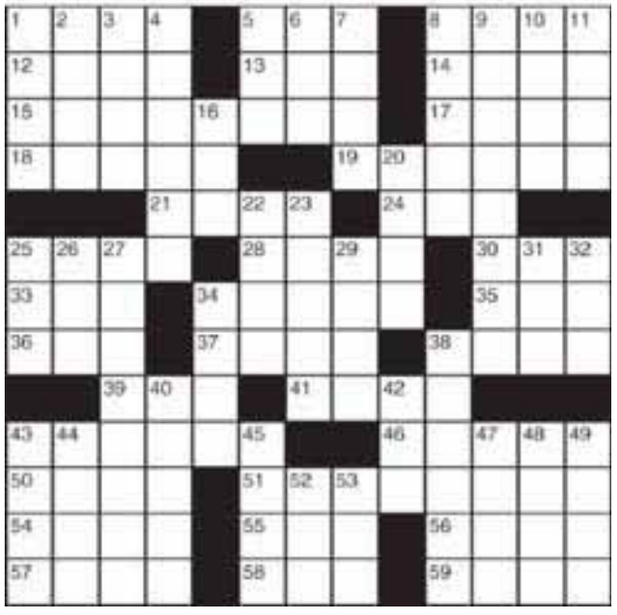

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▶ Yesterday's answer

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Yesterday's answer ▶

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Beautiful - When I said you had this guys heart I meant it, I do love you. The problem is you took it and flew away with it. Now i'm in Nova Scotia, heartless. I know you might not see this but I just want to say i'm still very deeply/strongly in love with you. I'm waiting by for you counting the moments until you return, until you bring this guys heart back and cherish it with him, together, as one. I love you Beautiful forever and always <3
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Jessica Goyette - I love you so much baby your my best friend and someone I can always count on for having my back. We just recently passed our one year and I'm so glad to be with you. Your everything I want and your the girl that helps me keep my head high. I love you so much forever xoxo <3
BRADEN SEABROOK

Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You have no fear at the moment and will follow your desires wherever they might lead.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Don't give away what should remain yours.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Cosmic activity in your opposite sign encourages you to accept that other people's opinions and your opinions differ in legitimate ways.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 atch out you don't get carried away with your own brilliance today.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Today's cosmic developments will do wonders for your confidence and encourage you to believe that anything is possible.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You may not be the most emotional member of the zodiac but you will feel deeply for someone today.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 There is a danger that in your eagerness to get ahead and get the most from each and every situation you will overlook some small but important detail.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 It's not like you to be free and easy with money but you are in one of those moods where you really don't care

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You need a challenge that will bring out the best in you

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 There is no limit to what you can accomplish now

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 What happens over the next two or three days will open your eyes to new possibilities

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You must play by the rules today, even if you know you can get away with cutting corners.

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